

HUGHES' FIRST YEAR ONE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Washington Ranks Secretary as One of Greatest Men Who Have Held the Position.

HIS TASK GIGANTIC ONE Statesmanship Proven in Arms Conference, Chinese Problem and Reparation Crisis.

WASHINGTON.—In the front rank of America's greatest Secretaries of State! That is the way Washington is thinking of Charles Evans Hughes, chief of the international relations of the United States, whose first year in this important office is closing with an unprecedented list of achievements.

The action of the Senate on the Versailles Treaty and the 1920 Presidential elections, with other causes, had worked completely to disrupt the course of American foreign policy in the closing days of the Wilson Administration.

Hughes flung himself at this task. His greatest accomplishment may be described as follows:

During the closing days of the Wilson Administration, the United States, because of the Wilson defeat, was no longer regarded in foreign capitals as the moral leader in world affairs. This country was hanging back, not leading or following. Hughes, it is conceded, has returned to America the role of moral leadership of the world.

When Hughes came to the State Department, he naturally did not have at his command the details and historical facts of the many problems in international affairs facing this Government.

He immediately ordered to his office all the records from the State Department archives in the cases of the various problems which he was being called on to decide. He spent long hours going thoroughly into these records.

THE ARMS CONFERENCE
Of course, the Conference on Limitation of Armament and Far Eastern Questions, just ended, has been Hughes' greatest achievement; it will undoubtedly be the crowning work of his career. In the negotiations leading up to the Conference and in the parity itself, Hughes is regarded as having displayed high qualities of statesmanship. Among the great results wrought by this Conference are the Naval Disarmament Treaty, the Four-Power Treaty dissolving the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and aimed to secure the peace of the Pacific, the Shantung settlement, the Open Door Treaty on China, and the other covenants.

Hughes had been in the State Department only a few weeks when he dispatched to the Allied capitals a lengthy note dealing with the entire mandate question. It insisted that, despite the rejection of the Versailles Treaty, the United States had succeeded to equal rights as the result of the war; it protested against the attitude of the Allied Powers regarding mandated territories and insisted that the United States must be consulted on the disposition of these mandate rights; it declared that the United States could not recognize the "Yap mandate" as it had been awarded to Japan. This question has since been settled by a treaty.

THE MEXICAN ENIGMA
"Should the United States recognize the Obregon Government of Mexico?" was a big question which faced Hughes. "The fundamental question," Hughes said, between the United States and Mexico was the protection of private property. This question was to have been settled in the new treaty by adequate and complete protection of American rights and interests, and this treaty was proposed to Obregon, but because of false reports at the time, which made a twisted issue of the question in Mexico, the Mexican chief executive has not yet accepted it.

The first real test of Hughes' personal statesmanship was during the reparations crisis of last spring. Germany was behind in her reparations payments; France was threatening to send her army into the Ruhr in retaliation. Germany appealed to the United States that President Harding arbitrate the reparations question.

Hughes achieved two big things—France did not carry out her desire to occupy the Ruhr, and shortly afterward the Allies, prompted by the attitude of the United States, arrived at a reparations settlement in London with Germany, which was regarded as the most just and practicable that had been worked out up to that time.

Among the People of Boone County

COMMUNITY CLUB ORGANIZED

Fairview has New Organizations—Officers Elected.
A community club was organized last night at Fairview Church and the following officers elected: President, I. J. J. Traxler; secretary, Riley Todd; program committee, John Turner, Mrs. J. A. Buffum and Clarence Sturgeon.

Those present at the meeting pledged themselves to bring each person of the Fairview community into the organization.

Last night's program included a discussion of the County Unit Bill by C. E. Northcutt, county superintendent of schools, and a talk by Owen Howells of the Rural Life Department of the University on "Community organization and the Service From the Extension Division That Is Available to Rural Communities."

A series of social and educational programs have been arranged for the Fairview Community Club. The meetings are to be held at 8 o'clock each Friday night.

FINANCIAL PLANS DISCUSSED
Rocheport School Board Meets to Prepare for Next Year.

The Rocheport School Board met at the people of the community met at the high school building last night to discuss plans for financing the school next year. About fifty persons attended.

This school has been supported by the patrons. It is desired to change this and support it by taxation. A committee was appointed to investigate the matter, composed of D. S. Dimmitt, W. A. Sampson and Dr. W. E. Angell. After the meeting, refreshments were served by the girls.

Shaw

Arley Kelly has moved to the Monroe farm one mile northwest of Shaw.

Mrs. J. W. Langston was taken ill Sunday and it was necessary to call a physician.

T. H. Ankrom received the top price for a dressed hog delivered to a Columbia butcher Tuesday.

Fencing and other farm work has been suspended for several days on account of unfavorable weather.

Mrs. J. P. Hendricks has been sick at her home near Shaw for the last two weeks. Her condition was reported better Thursday.

The following farmers of Callaway County delivered hogs to Columbia Monday: Leslie Crockett Charles McKenzie, Lee Threlkeld, and Henry Welfenstaff.

Charles E. Northcutt, county superintendent of schools, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Northcutt. He has just returned from Mayo Brothers hospital, Rochester, Minn., where his wife is receiving treatment.

Hallsville

Preston Paddock was in Sturgeon Thursday.

Walter Laforce was in Hallsville last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Crews were in Centralia Friday.

Miss Georgia Johnson spent the week-end in Columbia.

Ernest Nifong and family are moving to Brownsville, Mo.

W. B. Tucker's sale was well attended and things sold well.

Ben Glenn of Murry was in business in Hallsville Thursday.

Miss Mary E. Brown of Centralia was in Hallsville Thursday.

Miss Pearl Dennis was the guest of friends in Columbia this week.

G. Barrett of Ashland was the guest of Russell Chandler this week.

Tom Chandler and family have moved to the George Robinson farm.

Joel Wilhite, who has been sick with pneumonia, is slowly improving.

Mrs. E. McDonnell of Columbia was in Hallsville on business Thursday.

Harley Tomlinson of Denver, Colo., is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. Milt Jones.

Lee Reynolds went to Kansas City this week-end to attend a stock sale.

Misses Alta Jones and Helen Barnes were in Columbia Friday and Saturday.

Glen Mayes and family are moving to the Clyde Pemberton farm west of Hallsville.

Henry Brown will farm the Wesley Wright and W. B. Tucker farms this year.

J. T. Barnes is moving this week to the S. O. Roberts place southwest of Centralia.

Miss Annabelle Fagdis of Centralia has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Loren.

Forest Davenport and sister, Sinda, were in Columbia Friday and Saturday visiting relatives.

Miss Madge Berry will spend the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Berry.

Misses Gertrude Jones and Martha Elkin were in Columbia Friday taking the teachers' examination.

Mrs. Lonnie Laforce and daughter, Mrs. Ferguson of Linon, Colo., are visiting Mrs. Mary C. Roberts.

Miss Bessie Lee Nichols of Fayette is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Nichols.

J. R. Connellson lost a horse with the blind staggers this week. This is the third horse that Mr. Connellson has lost this winter.

Charles Osterberry is very ill with influenza. He was attending a hardware dealer's convention in St. Louis when he was taken sick. He has been ill at his home since.

Don't miss the Benton Minstrel at the High School Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.—Adv.

SCHOOL SPIRIT DISCUSSED

Parent-Teachers' Association Has Talks and Play.
"Creating School Spirit" was the subject discussed Thursday night at the meeting of the Ashland Parent-Teachers Association in the high school building. The program was arranged by Mrs. Brad Estes and Mrs. Harley Sapp.

Hinton Forbes' pupils put on a short play, "Mr. Grumps' School," depicting the school spirit of forty years ago. School spirit of today was represented by Elva Estes, Dorothy Biggs, Margaret Angell and Frances Crenshaw of the country schools. Means of creating the right school spirit were discussed by Mrs. Hinton Forbes, Felix Davis, Miss Mable Nunn, Miss Inez Lucas and Miss Nana Ezell.

Miss Dorothy Broeffle, county Red Cross nurse, and C. E. Northcutt, county superintendent of schools, were the out-of-town speakers.

MAD DOG BITES 2 PERSONS

O. J. Haid, Farmer, Is One of Victims—Six Animals Shot.
A mad dog scare has caused much excitement in the vicinity of Cedar City and Hartsburg. Two persons have been bitten by dogs suffering from hydrophobia; O. J. Haid, well known farmer, and the child of a farmer named Nicholson. These victims have been taken to Jefferson City for treatment. It is reported that a hundred head of cattle have been bitten.

Six dogs believed to have been mad have been killed, and their heads have been sent to the medical laboratory at the University for examination.

NEGRO MINED WITH SENATOR

Robert Carter and Wealthy Democrat Worked in Same Mine.
Robert Carter, former negro slave, who died Thursday night at his home near McBaine, spent several years of his life mining in Montana. He worked in the same mine with Senator W. A. Clark. Clark was then a laborer and Mrs. Clark kept a boarding house for the miners. At the time of his death, Senator Clark was one of the world's richest men. He was chairman of the National Democratic Committee.

Lecture at Hallsville Monday.
Prof. J. V. Ankeny, secretary of the American Society for Visual Education, will deliver a lecture at 7:30 o'clock Monday night in the Hallsville High School on "Visual Education." The lecture will be illustrated with motion pictures.

Owen Howells of the Rural Life Department of the University will speak on "Community Education."

Plans to complete the organization of a county club will also be made.

Moving Hinders Pupils and Teacher.
H. H. King, the teacher in the McGuire school, near Shaw, complains that three tenants in his neighborhood moved away on the first of the month, taking five pupils out of the school. In this way says, the children are not allowed to complete the grade in which they were listed, making trouble for the teacher next year.

Former Ashland Boy Dies in Storm.
Mrs. Emma Hudson of Ashland has received the news that her nephew, Ben Mustain, 18 years old, died in a snow storm in California in January while taking a mountain hike with another boy. Ben is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Shady Mustain, formerly of Ashland.

Raeder Approved for Postmaster.
Roland Raeder is one of the three applicants approved of by the Civil Service Commission for postmaster at Harlingen, Texas. Mr. Raeder is the son of Grant Raeder. He was born and raised near Deer Park and is 25 years old.

Columbia Lyceum Season Closes.
The Columbia Lyceum Bureau will give the last of its series of entertainments this winter at Stephens this evening. Albert H. Leonard of Columbia is the manager of the lyceum.

Centralia Church Calls Pastor.
The Rev. Mr. Bryson of South Carolina, a former Missourian, has been called by the First Baptist Church of Centralia. He will be paid a salary of \$2,000.

Ashland

Charles E. Northcutt, county superintendent of schools was here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Calvin, Miss Mable Nunn, LeGrand Rippetto and Sardis Hickman were in Columbia yesterday and today.

Claude Mountjoy has bought an 80-acre farm from Clarence Phillips, who has been ill the last few days.

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